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An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the SURCHARGE set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of ☐ \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or ☒ \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

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- ☒ is missing or unexecuted.  
☐ does not cover the newly submitted items.  
☐ does not identify the application to which it applies.  
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An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

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☐ 6. A \$50.00 processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).

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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): )  
Jeffrey Kenneth Horton ) Title: In-Situ Extraction and  
Serial No: 09/027,654 ) Assay Method  
Filed: February 23, 1998 )

**TRANSMITTAL OF EXECUTED DECLARATION**

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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**Attention: BOX MISSING PART**

Sir:

Submitted herewith is an executed Declaration for filing in the above-identified application, in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts issued by the Patent and Trademark Office on May 12, 1998.

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Jeffrey S. Sharp

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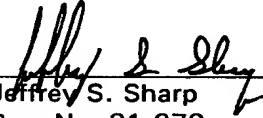
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